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Applicants : Jun ABE, et al. **Confirmation No. 8815**
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For: : METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING GLASS BASE MATERIAL,
GLASS BASE MATERIAL AND OPTICAL FIBER

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

A response to the Office Action dated November 4, 2004 was due February 4, 2004.

A Petition for Extension of Time (one month, large entity) is enclosed, extending the due date to March 4, 2005. Therefore, please accept this Amendment as timely filed and fully responsive.

Kindly amend the above-identified patent application as follows: